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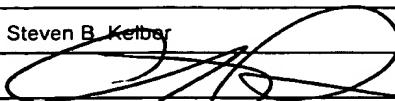
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

FEE TRANSMITTAL								Docket No.	8229-014-27						
								Serial No.	09/975,256						
								Filing Date	October 12, 2001						
								Inventor(s)	Krishnaswamy RAMKUMAR, et al.						
								Group Art Unit	2812						
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT			\$1,440.00		Examiner										
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101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee					115	110	215	55	1-mo. ext. of time		
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee					116	400	216	200	2-mo. ext. of time		
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee					117	920	217	460	3-mo. ext. of time		
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES								120	320	220	160	Appeal Brief			
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20				126	180	126	180	IDS Submission			
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3				581	40	581	40	Assignment			
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109	84	209	42	*Reissue independent claims over original patent				169	900	169	900	Expedited Design			
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Re: Serial No.: 09/975,256
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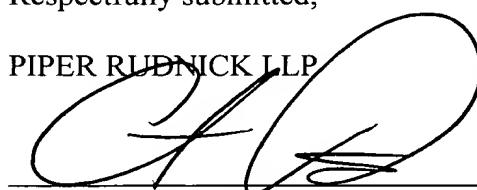
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FEE TRANSMITTAL
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (4 months)
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS (return copy)
FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f)
DECLARATION (3 pages - executed)

Our check in the amount of \$ 1,440.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary extension of time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to Deposit Account No. 50-1442. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a request is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated November 9, 2001, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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